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Mr. Laurence G. Pickering  
Director, Office of Systematic Review  
Bureau of Administration  
The Department of State  
Room 1239, New State Building  
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Larry:

Enclosed are 233 pages which encompass the Guatemala chapter in Foreign Relations of the United States (FRUS), Volume IV, 1952-54, American Republics. Our recommendations for deletions can be found in red brackets and boxes and are in consonance with E.O. 12065, Section 1-301(c) and (d). Because of the situation in Central America, we recommend additional deletions to our original findings, and these may be found on pages 717 and 718. Also enclosed is a list of pages returned to you noting those which carry CIA findings for excision.

We have reviewed all the documents you have sent us for publication in Volume IV, 1952-54, as of this date. This letter provides our clearance of this volume, subject to the withholdings cited in the enclosure, and contingent upon your assurance to us that there is no further material intended for publication in this volume that is of interest to this Agency and that has not been reviewed by us.

Sincerely,



Chief, Classification Review Division  
Office of Information Services  
Directorate of Administration

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1. 233 pages from Vol. IV, 1952-54
2. List of pages and excised pages

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9 March 1982

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Records Management Division

FROM:

Chief, Classification Review Division

SUBJECT: Proposal to Implement Agreement to Survey  
State Records as the Basis for Protecting  
CIA Equities Found There (U)

1. At the meeting with Department of State records management personnel on 26 February 1982 a preliminary agreement was reached to have Agency personnel survey State records for the purpose of determining what CIA information and documents are contained in State Records, where they are to be found, and how the security of this material might be protected. It was further agreed that our basic contact at State for this project would be Mr. Paul Murphy, senior analyst on the Records Management Staff. (U)

2. To implement this project on behalf of the Agency, I propose the following division of responsibility: (C)

a. RMD would be responsible to determine the connections that have existed between the Agency and State that could have left a records trail. At the meeting, some components mentioned were the respective personnel, security, finance, and records management offices, the area desks, and our Central Cover Staff and its contacts. The objective would be to identify specific files and records holdings that chronicle these relationships within the records maintained at State. We can then focus our attention on those records to identify Agency equities.

b. CRD would be responsible to begin simultaneously the work at State to determine the records that must be reviewed. The matter of reevaluating those records now defined as permanent will be held in abeyance, but that should be considered after we have gained a better knowledge of the records we are interested in. In its actions, CRD should begin by learning how the State records system works, and what records are maintained. This should go back in time to at least 1950. It might be noted that soon NARS will begin the systematic review of State records for the period 1950-54 that are now stored at

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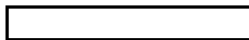
NARS. State will have a representative available to assist NARS on the spot. We will participate by sending reviewers to handle identified Agency material. This review, which is expected to take four years, will also give us an understanding of the permanent records State had for that five-year period, the nature of CIA records to be found in them, and the files in which CIA records are to be found. The current actions by CRD at State will be for the purpose of developing more general information about State records which can serve as the basis for making decisions and developing procedures to identify CIA equities in State records across-the-board, and then taking the mutually agreed actions necessary to protect them.



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